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The ensuing notes are not taken from the Times Book Club's "Historians' History of the World," in twenty-five volumes weighing over four pounds each, with solid onk bookcase thrown in for fourpence a day for eighteen months; but possibly somewhere in that compendious work their equivalents might be found by the industrious and intelligent student. Two thousand years ago there was no Book Club for the nation; each citizen carried his own club. While his wife harvested the garden patch, and if he felt that he might as well be doing something, the citizen laboured at the fashioning of a spare club, to stand in a corner of the hut till wanted. This was the beginning of the excessive burden of armaments. now, peace was then assured by constant preparation for war. The alien immigra- He fished almost daily, from early in the season tion question was no less acute then than now, for the people in the next valley would persist in coming over to help the harvester, whom they sometimes harvested. When this incident occurred, it was awkward for the citizen, who, deprived of the assistance of his suffragette, had to work as well as maintain adequate defences. This led to agitations of the Unemployables, who, however, aroused less and simpler argument then than now. In those days there were small holdings, and no wide reserves for game preserves or deer forests, exclusively held by dog-in-the-manger aristocrats Agricultural depression was not aggravated by exorbitant traffic charges, for the crops were consumed at home. An early citizen of industrious habits had a lot of spare time after his agricultural work was done, or

developed a special aptitude for making mattocks. He made several of these, and thus became the first capitalist. His neighbours, who had been too busy otherwise to provide themselves, hired one of these necessary agricultural tools from him, and paid for the use of it in kind. The produce so handed over to him was the first dividend in the world, the first instance of interest on capital, which the communists of to-day declare to be an iniquitous tax: on industry. He made so many mattocks that he left to his son quite a respectable income, more than he could eat, but the son of such a sire naturally did not enjoy being idle. His hobby was hut-building, which he did quite well. When his neighbours saw what a handy builder and repairer he was, they invited him to exercise his profession on their lots, while they went over into the next valley to inculcate their superior notions of ethics with the belp of their clubs. They silenced the obdurate males, and converted the females, whose labours in the sphere to which they were removed helped to pay the reward to the home-staying builder of huts, who thus drew the first rents in history. These rents in some cases were not always forthcoming, owing to the careless handling by the tenant of his club, which had perhaps casually lessened the earning power of the new breadwinner. The landlord was not quite satisfied, but might not have known what to do if it had not been for a citizen who neither made mattocks nor built huts. This man spent his time thinking, and developing his intellect. He went to the capitalist and pointed out that the citizen who had not paid his rent ought not to be allowed to occupy the hut. It wasn't fair to those who did pay, and these latter might be relied upon to see fairplay if the capitalist insisted on his rightful claims. Thus arose the first lawyer, and the hones t tenants who evicted the mon-payer and installed the lawyer were the first policemen. They got a rebate for their services. The lawyer by using his brains more and more assisted evolution, and in the course of generations the British nation ultimately arrived at the beautifully complex and in

all ways just system in which its constituents now very properly rejoice. Thus it is apparent that the socialists of to-day are mere reactionaries, who desire to start the inevitable process all over again.

Four more plague cases yesterday have brought the total to date to 87.

An accord between Japan and Spain is, says an Exchange Paris telegram, stated to be imminent. It is understood that the Japanese Prince is at present on a visit to the Spanish capital with this object in view.

Mr. Kemp, First Magistrate before whom the case was heard in which the occupant of 23 Lyndhurst Terrace was summoned for disturbing the tranquility of the reighbourhood, dism sed the summons.

Mathilda Gorlano, a girl who took poison at Bologna, left a letter explaining that she had been driven to despair by her sweetheart's confession that his curly hair was not natural, but that he used curling tongs every morning.

Among the passengers by the "Prins Waldemar." which left yesterday for Australia, was Mr. Duncan Clark, one of the partners of Messre, Lane, Crawford & Co. Mr. and Mrs. Clark and son are going on holiday to England via Australia and South Africa.

"Yes," said the Texas editor, eyeing without affection the conductor of the rival paper, who had just called at his office, "it is true that I described you in my leader yesterday as 'a bald' beaded snipe whose miserable careass is a foul insult to the earth it fattens on.' I suppose you have had complaints from the snipe-world and wish me to apologise to them for comparing them with you. I will do so with pleasure in an early issue.

Mr. William Williams, of Rhiw, Carnarvonshire, who has died at the age of 101, was in-full possession of his faculties up to the lest, and never had a day's illness. Retiring from the sea half a century ago, he devoted his time to angling in the trout streams of Lleyn penin ula. to the close, and only last week was preparing his fishing tackle.

General Sir Neville Lyttelton, speaking at the annual cinner of the Institute of Civil Engineers, said that the Japanese army of today owed its success to British tuition. Forty for inspection. In proceeding Mr. Browne said mander of a Japanese regiment, armed with bows and arrows, asked his superior officer to teach him the Englishman's method of using the rifle. That was the beginning of Japan's success in warfare.

The "Figure" snucances that the French Government intends to send a number of the ships of the northern equadron to Portsmouth during the visit of President Fullières to Eng. home by the Society for the special purpose of ensure for the mills a large and profitable land in the summer. The aquadron will probably be composed of the cruisers Amiral, Aube, Marsoillaise, Léon Gambetta, and Dupetit-Thouars. The journal confirms the statement while the weaker sex did it for him, and he will accompany President Fallières.

night when the Portuguese Lilliputians gave their third performance of "The Belle of New York." The young people seemed much more at home on the stage and their work was very creditable indeed.

The business of forming a new ministry occupied the attention of the Y.M.C.A. Parliament last night. Messrs. Lowry, Fuller, Burnett and Dale were unanimously elected to the respective positions of Premier, Lesder of the Opposition, Speaker and Clerk of the House. The remainder of the sitting was devoted to impromptu speeches on subjects drawn by lot and proved very interesting.

One of Mr. Hearst's newspapers urges the permanent retention of the fleet on the Pacific ecast, on the ground that the Oriental situation demands its presence. "A nation so ambicious in progress," says the New York American. and so relentless in purpose as Japan should be restrained from aggressive effort to conquer advantages which America now holds only by the visible evidence of the prompt preparedness of our country to defend them."

In " Heathenism Under the Searchlight " a missionary, W. R. Hunt, paints the non-Christian nations of Asia in the blackest colours. His searchlight is lurid indeed. "Heathenism is the night of Asis. Goodness and truth are its absent qualities, despair its resultant condition, and death its total fact." "Methicks the lady doth protest too much." The heathen do multiply for thousands of years. The optimists. microscope of sympathy find more of the truth than the pessimists, who can discover nothing but the blue eness of darkness in every faith but

Envy, writes M. Jean Finot, lin La Revue has been in all ages the most detestable factor in the march of human affairs, and it has wrought more harm than misery. Disastrous to individual happiness, it is more disastrous to the happiness of the community, seeing that it engenders hatrad, which in its turn examperates and paralyses the will. Most of our defects are born of envy. Essentially base in its essence, vulgar souls like to see envy around them Very few are able to resist it. The State creates and austrius it by the distribution lof orders and titles, and a special press exists to write about the luxuries of the rich. Mean. while envy's elder sister, hatred grows apace. To be free from envy is almost to be assured of

The Century Magazine for March published story of how an American engine-driver, who at the age of sixty years, went back to the land. bought a farm of one nore in Washington territory, and has been living upon it comfort--ably-ever -since:-He-paid-fourteen_hundred_ dollars for the land and "improvements," and an additional two dollars and a half to the former owner's son for clearing away the rub. bish heap. From that day he has paid not another cent. for hired labour. "I am my own own rainmaker. I tell you," he said earnestly, "with irrigation and careful supervision, there's nothing in the way of a profit producer that can. be-t- the small farm." His acre curries 171 fowls, one fourth of it is devoted to on orchard and the ground is irrigated by a small stream. His wife makes preserves of the fruit, and his vegetables yield almost as much profit as his

announces that a German merchant has succerded in obtaining from the Negus Menelik. a number of trading concessions, which cover the whole of Abyssinia. Thus it is said, that the enterprising German has received permission to establish motor car services passenger and goods traffit, to build roads and bridges required for such traffic, and to levy tells for the use of the roads and bridges. At the same time permission has been granted for the establishment of trading settlements, and the German has received the monopoly for the erection of wireless-telegraphy apparatus, and also for introducing postal intercourse between Addis Abebs and Dire Daws. It may be mentioned that these are the concessions which have been sought by British and French syndicates, and that the German Government. satisfied itself some months ago as to the private character of the undertakings referred

A very interesting and instructive lecture on 'Radium" was given by Mr. Frank Browne, F.I.C., under the anspices of the "Odd Volumes" Society" at the City Hall yesterday afternoon. Sir Henry Berkeley presided. The lecturer was well acquainted with his subject and after dealing with the history of its discovery and subsequent investigations announced that he was fortunate enough to possess a specimen of this mysterious element, and after some demonstrations he would hand it round that the experiments could be better conducted in total darkness and after asking the indulgence of the audience, the doors were closed and the lights extinguished. The rays were plain y visible through screens of wood, glass, iron and thin by emitting a green phosphorescent glbw. The peculations in the wheat market. specimen of radium which was hired from vote of thanks.

The Lucitano Club was prowded again last | Gunner C. W. Ward is permitted to resign from the Volunteer Corps with effect from the 16th April, and Corporal R. C. Witchell i transferred to the Infantry Company.

> The Signalling Class in connection with the H. K. V. Corps will commence at Headquarters at 530 p.m., on Wednesday, the 29th instant. There are still some more names required to complete the class.

> Members of Right Half No. 2 Company, H.K.V.C., are reminded that the next monthly shoot for the subscription Cups will take place a. Tai Hang Range on Sunday next, The 200 yards range will be closed as soon as possible after 9.30 a.m.

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It may safely be affirmed that, notwithstand ing the Burns superstition, the Scotch dislect will be dead as soon as that of Lancashire or Yorkshire. Such is the dictum of Pilgrim in the "Glasgow Herald." He proceeds: In the course of a decade or two Burns and other patriotic associations will experience a difficulty not die out, but have contrived to live and in adequately rendering "Auld Ling Syne" unless with the aid of gramophone records. who see with the eye of love through the Scotsmen will soon be unable to recite with any facility an extract or a verse from their chroniclers, barbarous or otherwise, whether these be in the line of Virgil, Dunbar, Douglas, or the still more barbarous tongue whose lineage is from Adam and Eve through Ossian.

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The forty-second ordinary meeting of the shareholders in the China Traders Insurance Company Ltd. took place yesterday at the Company's offices under the chairmanship of Mr. H. W. Slade. There were also present Mesers. W. Helms, E. Ormiston, J. A. Plummer, E. G. Barrett, J. W. C. Bonnar (directors), C. Montague Ede (Secretary), E. C. Lane, A. B. Rouse, H. Hunter, H. M. Carvalho, B. M. C. da Cunha, V. L., dos Remedios, A. E. S. Alves, J. F. A. Barros, J. Gardner and A. R. Lowe.

The SECRETARY baving read the notice

convening the meeting, The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, The report having been issued for a sufficient time to enable you to study it carefully I will now with your permission take it as read. It is not possible to compare the years 1905 and 1906 from the published reports as during the former year the figures for the last eight months only were shewn separately, but I have taken out the items from our books for the first four months ensbling me to make a fair comparison of horse and plough and farm hand, and even my twelve months working in each year. I find in 1906 an increase in takings of \$454,000 while years. the losses only exceeded those of the previous twelve months by \$86, 0). We have paid on 1906 account a bonus of 20 per cent to contributors. against 15 per cent for the previous year. In 1905 we were obliged to trench on our reserve fund where a for 1905 we are able to inaugurate a sterling reserve fund adding thereto £5,000. We are also able to strongthen the reinsurance fund by £10,000 The "Schlesische Z itung," of Breslan, and further to carry forward the sum of \$212,000 to nuderwriting suspense account to cover outstanding losses. Altogether, gentlemen, we can congratulate ourselves upon the first full year's working sinc, the amalgamation of cur interests with those of the Union Iusurance Society of Canton, Limited. We recommend the payment of a final dividend of \$1.50 per share which with the interim dividend of \$3 per share paid last April should it prove satisfactory to you. The outturn for 1907 promises to compare favourably with that of 1906 and we therefore recommend the payment of an interim dividend of \$3 per share and as bonus to contributors of 20 per cent. carrying forward the

There being no questions,

The CHAIRMAN proposed, and Mr. EDE seconded, the adoption of the report, which was

On the motion of Mr. EDE, seconded by Mr. ROUSE, the appointment of Mesers, W. Helms, H. A. W. Slade J. W. C. Bonnar and E. G. Barrett, and J. A. Plummer to the directorate was confirmed.

Mr. EDE moved, and Mr. E. LANE seconded the re-election of the retiring directors Messrs. Slade and Ormiston. Carried.

Messrs. Jeffries and Lows were re-elected auditors on the motion of Mr. EDE, seconded by Mr. BUNTER.

. This concluded the business.

We learn that a movement is on foot in local Chinese business circles for the formation of a syndicate with a view to acquiring, if possible, the big flour mills at Junk Bay established by copper. Experiments made with crystals were the Hongkong Milling Co, which has now gone equally successful, willemite bring conspicuous | into liquidation, as a result of disastrous

It is believed that Chinese ownership would the lecture, represented but a grain of the business connection, and the view is also substance and its value was at least £200. expressed that the milling of wheat grown in Although throwing off millions of rays it was North China and Korea would particularly calculated to last two hundred and fifty years, appeal to Chinese consumers who regard that M. Pichon, Minister for Foreign Affairs, The Hon. Capt. Basil Taylor briefly moved a Korean flour as unrivalled by any flour imported from America or Australia.

ELEGRAMS

[" DAILY PRING" MIGLESIVE SERVICE.

STEAMER EXPLOSIONS.

SINCAPORE, April 23rd. There was an explosion last night lying in the Keppel Drydock, which injured several coolies. Fortunately the crew were ashore. The resultant fire was extinguished by the local Brigade. The explosion scattered de--bris-over-an-area-measuring hundreds-]

At Belawaif. Sumatra, the Dutch steamer Pahud was damaged by a boiler explosion, and nineteen Chinese were killed.

BANKS CLOSED.

SINGAPORE, April 23rd. The International Bank is closing its branches in the Straits.

> BRUTER'S SERVICE. RUSSIA IN ASIA.

-London, April 21st A telegram received at Tiflis from the Officer commanding at Belia Suver, states that an immense horde of Nomads advancing, and that the position is serious and strong re-inforcements are required.

Strong Russian reinforcements have started for Belia Suver.

ITALY AND TURKEY.

London, April 21st. Turkey has promised a satisfactory settlement of the Tripoli coasting question, and the sanction of the Sultan is alone waited for,

TRADE DEPRESSION IN THE

Commenting on the stagnation in trade in North China, Messre. Hbert & Co. of Shanghai in their latest piece goods circular say :-It is difficult to give sny satisfactory explanation of the depression, but if it were possible to account for it, perhaps it would be found to be the outcome of many different

Restriction of credit by the Chinese Banks, brought about by fear of losses in dealing with oustomers who have lost money, owing to bad trade and other causes.

influences, of which the following are the most

Withdrawal of capital from the north caused by unrest and insecurity regarding the future. both political and financial. For example : Newchang exclange on Shanghai is 25 per cent. discount owing to absence of hard money, instead of 5 per cent, premium in ordinary

Heavy likio charges on cargo transported by rail, the likin in some cases amounting to considerably more than the freight. Depreciation of copper cash, which has reach

ed a climax; depreciation of subsidiary silver coinage, the bulk of which is at a discount of over 15 per cent, as compared with Mexican

General fear that a further decline in prices may be impending; the fall in cotton and forced sales at auction contributing to increased distrust in the future.

It would seem impossible to look for any improvement in the near future under these conditions, but China is a country in which surprising changes are rapidly brought aboutrestriction of credit will care itself, when large necumulations of capital become too unprofit. able. The currency and likin questions are with us always, and a reaction in the cotton market is not improbable when it is brought homè to consumers that this year's crop is about 2.000:000 bales short of last year's. The stoppage of looms in England and America and the gradual reduction of stocks all over the East, are favourable influences, while it often happens that fears about the future are

HEARN ON OBSCURE POETRY.

From a previously unpublished letter of Lafondio Hearn, which appeared recently in the Albany, may be taken this criticism of two

"As for Browning and Meredith, I regard the bulk of the work of both as doomed to vanish because of its obscurity. I revere Browning, even though obscure. I have been lecturing upon him. I revere Meredith still more; and I have lectured upon him as the greatest philesopher-poet of the nineteenth century - for is he not the only one who has embodied a complete ethical conception of the evolutional philosophy in poetry? But how much greater would both poets have been if they had written as clearly as Rossetti or Tennyson

made what they called coffee-pictures—a wonder- | Street, Wanchai, ful album. Every one of these artists emptied the dregs of his coffee upon a sheet of soft paper after dinner; and according to the suggestions of the shapes of the stains, pictures. were inspired. I think that the obscurities of stains for the mystic-minded. They suggest pictures ine Lable; but they are developed only according to the imaginative and artistic capacity of the reader.

The first number for 1908 of "Science Progress in the Twentieth Century" has an appreciation and a portrait of the late Lord Kelvin. The high standard of the publication is maintained, and though the articles may not appeal to the casual reader, there is much that the thoughtful will enjoy. "Work under pressure and in great heat" is a discussion of the hygienic problems which arise through economic and industrial changes and another important contribution is that of Mr. F. H. A. Marshall, M.A., D.Sc., on "The effects of environment and nutrition on fertility."

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 23rd April. IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION. BRIORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR F. PIGGOTT).

THE FLORIDA WATER CASE. Loung Chak t han, Fung Tuk Tim, and Lau on the Dutch oil steamer Tancarville, Shan Ting, of the Kwong Sang shop, 46 Des Voogs Road Central were charged with a breach of the Trade Marks Ordinance by seriously damaged the vessel, and applying to 1632 bottles of liquid square labels with design closely resembling the trade mark registered by the complainants, Messre. Lanman and Kemp, of New York, who are manufacturers of Florida water. The second count charged them with exposing goods so marked and the third count charged them with passing off those goods as those of Lamman and Kemp. The Attorney-General said-he had been asked that the defendants should not go into the dock. They were only charged with a misdemeanour His Lordship consented.

Mr. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. Descon of Messrs. Descon Looker and Deacon conducted the prosecution; and Sir Heury' Berkeley, instructed by Mr. G. K. Holmes, appeared for the defendants, who pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled: Messre, W. C. Ligan, F. G. Cannyut, H. J. Stevens G. Hunter, E. J. Raymond, J. Lemm, and R. Pestonjae.

Mr. Slade, in opening, said that the case which the presecution hoped to make out was that the three defendants who traded under the name of the Kwong Sang in Des Voeux Road had deliberately tried to sell bottles of scent in fraud of Lanman and Kemp, prosecutors. The fraud alleged, against them was first of all in selling bottles of scent bearing a trade mark which so closely resembled the trade mark of the prosecutors that it was calculated to deceive unwary purchasers into believing that they were buying. the genuine Florida water. The defendant, made scent which they called, Florida water and they put on a trade mark which closely resem bled that of the prosecutors. They were charg. ed with applying labels to those bottles of scent and they were further charged with selling these bettles of scent bearing the trade mark which was calculated to deceive. The second charge was known technically as a false trade description as defined by the Marchandise Marks Act or in other words they had endeavoured by the general get up of their bottles to pass them off as containing genuine Florida water manufactured and sold by Lanman and Kemp. The jury could understand how without a single untrue word on the labels the get up of the bottles could be such as to deceive. nowary purchasprainto believing that they were procuring the genuine article. Florida water undoubtedly was a name invented by Messra. Lanman and Kemp many years ago, yet for

Sir Henry observed that the prosecution claimed at the Magistracy to have the exclusive right to use the name.

purposes of that prosecution the jury might

assume that anybody could use that name.

"Mr. Slade replied that they did not, although" one of the witnesses did. Proceeding, he dealt with the similarity between the two labels and said that the defendants were trying to benefit from the reputation which the prosecutors had obtained. The get up of the false bottle was calculated to deceive.

Sir Henry-There is no false bottle.

Mr. Slade-It is false.

the Chief Justice—It is alleged to be false. Mr. Slade maintained that he was justified in calling it false and went on to explain that the prosecutors asked the defendants in December last to desist from using the trade mark in question but they declined and the prosecutors. who had tried from 1901 to get their trade mark registered, only succeeded in doing so this year, after which they instituted these proceedings and a seizure was made of 1632 bottles in possession of the defendants.

Sergt. Watt gave evidence as to the seizure and was cross-xamined by Sir Henry as to whether he was aware that other firms in Hongkong as well as defendants manufactured Florida water, to which questions he replied that he had no knowledge.

Mr. Lamperski, the Hongkong agent for Messrs. Lauman and Kemp, having given evidence, the case for the prosecution closed, and the bearing was adjourned.

CORRESPONDENCE.

NOTA BENE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE " DAILY PRESS."

Italian Convent.

Hongkorg, 23rd April.

SIR,—By your courtesy we were given space in your columns for an appeal for funds towards the reconstruction of the dilapidated buildings "There was a party of French artists who for the "Home for the Poor" in St. Francis"

The response to our appeal barely supplies a third of the amount of the estimated cost of new buildings.

The Typhoon season will soon be upon us. Browning and Meredith are like these coffee- and the urgency of replacing the old by a new structure is pressing daily.

May we again trespass on your kindness for the sympathetic support you have invariably extended to us by directing the attention of your numerous readers

> Yours faithfully TEODORA LUCIAN. SUPERIORESS.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS. The H.A.L. still Liberia left Shanghai on the

23rd inst., and may be expected here on the 26th inst. pm. The I.G.M. str. Prinz Ludwig which left here on Friday, the 27th ult. at 5-p.m., arrived

at Genoa on the 22nd inst, at 4 p.m.

UNION INSUBANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

The thirty-fifth ordinary meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd, was held yesterday at the society's office. Mr. H. A. W. Flade presided, and there were present. Messrs. W. Helme, E. Ormiston, J. A. Plummer, E. G. Barrett, J. W. C. Bonnar (directors), C. Montague Ede (Secretary), E. C. Lane, A. B. Rouse, W. Hutton Potts, D. R. Law, J. A. Jupp, H. M. Tibbey, P. C. Potts, H. E. R. Hunter, F. P. Hett, Capt. Clarke, J. Barton, A. R. Lowe, C. E. H. Beavis, Hon. Basil Taylor, Ho Fook, and A. V. Apcar.

convening the meeting. The CHAIRMAN paid—Gentlemen, before passing to the business of the meeting I should like to notice the absence of three familiar to refer you to the balance sheet now before Gentlemen, I have much pleasure in seconding you for a statement of the sound position of the Society at the time of his giving over charge. As these gentlemen have now relired from China I feel that I am but voicing your sentiments in wishing them long enjoyment at home of the fruits of their labour. We will now proceed with the business of the meeting. The report and accounts have been in your hands for some weeks and as you have no doubt carefully considered them 1 propose to follow the usual procedure and take them as read. In comparing the figures with those of the previous report you must bear in mind the fall which has taken place in the gold value of the dollar; this has counteracted, as far as the appearance of the account goes, the shrinkage in takings consequent upon the almost unprecedented period of trade depression through which we have passed, and from which we are even now suffering but happily to a less extent. Cur profits, however, whether viowed from a gold or silver standpoint are very satisfactory and we are able to recommend the payment of a final dividend for 1906 of \$15 per share. The interim dividend of \$30 declared at our last meeting was paid when exchange stood at 2/11; the full dividend for the year therefore shows a steady increase both to shareholders resident in gold using countries and those living out here; it must also be borne in mind that this payment is made on our

creased capital, which is very significant. We further recommend the addition to the gold reserve fund of £20,000 and the carrying forward of the balance of \$430,000 to underwriting | people an insult, in an interview in the Temps, suspense to cover outstanding losses. The figures for the year 1907 as shown in the report are satisfactory as far as they go; there have been a good many minor lesses but no abnormal happy to say that we have every reason to believe that the account when run off will therefore have no heritation in recommending the payment of an interim dividend of \$30 per share on account of 1907. These results, gentlemen, are matters for congratulation, and you will be glad to hear that we have not forgotten the officers whose work has brought them about, we thought it right to vote a bonus to the Ecciety's servants in the form an addition of 15 per cent of a year's calary to the provident fund of each member who is in our service at the end of this month. as well as a cash bonus to Mr. Saunders who left our service at the end of last year, and I feel sure that you will approve of our having done so. Our amalgamation with the China Traders has worked smoothly and our anticipations as regards the reduction in our charge ratio have been realised. With the exception of Australia our branches, especially London, have been economically and profitably managed. It was known to us that business in Australia had not been going well for some years past, but in the hope that matters would improve automatithe China Traders no step was taken in 1906: last year however it became apparent that radical changes were necessary and Mr. Ede was sent down to study the situation on the spot and report; since his return and action; on his recommendations we have not only placed the business under new management but we have adopted a policy of retrenchment and have decided to_dispense with the services of ten members of the Australian staff. This step, will show an annual saving of some £5 00; of Don Carlos. this saving will not however be felt until next year. It may be, and indeed has been said, that no compensation is due to the Australian stawhose combined work has not produced any profit in the past, but this, gentlemen, is not our view, nor, I am sure, will it be yours. The fault lay more with the system of workold China Traders' servants as if they were the Society's servants of equal standing we have decided to pay each officer whose service

There being no questions, Mr. D. R. LAW said-Mr. Chairman and the adoption of the report and accounts for 1906 and 1907. It is very gratifying to see

terminated on the 31st March last, one month's

salary for very year of service, conditionally

on his doing his best not to estrange the good-

will; this will cost some £7000, but as we are in

future saving £5000 annually the Society

recoups itself in its outlay in eighteen months

and I am sure our action will meet with your

approval. Before proposing the adoption of the

report and accounts I shall be glad to know if

any shareholder wishes to ask any questions.

that the Society continues to presper even in these bad times through which we are passing. Last year I had reason to congratulate the Board, the Secretary and Staff on the results of their labours, and I am sore every shareholder will agree that there is better reason for again doing so on the present occasion. I listened with pleasure to the Chairman's announce ment of a bonus to the staff. Year by year they have reaped most satisfactory harvests for us and we are glad to mark our appreciation of their ability and lahours. That a bonus should have also been voted to our late Secretary is most fitting. Mr. Saunders has relired from China, but I think it would be a vast pity for The SECRETARY having read the notice the Society-to-lose touch with him, and I feel. that I am expressing the wishes of all shareholders when I suggest that the Board should offer him a seat on the London Committee. suggest this, not so much on his account as on faces, Mesers, Siebs and Wood have retired after ours, as I feel that we should not lose the admany years service on our Board, during which vantage of his rip; experience. The steps period by their experience and sound advice which the Board have taken in relation to the they have afforded the greatest assistance to the Australian business are characteristic of the management of the Society. Mr. Saunders, Union's sound and vigorous management. I conour late Secretary, has also retired and the best sider that the results achieved are preeminently proof I can give you of his able and careful satisfactory and I hope the Board will never conduct of affairs is to recall to you the yearly lose sight of the importance of continuing to increase of dividend paid to shareholders and build up our reserves. With these remarks,

the report and accounts for 1906 and 1907. The CHAIRMAN-Before putting this resolution I would like to refer to the suggestion made by Mr. Law as to putting Mr. Saunders | by the public, on the London committee. This matter has not been brought before the directors yet but it will receive their consideration.

The report was adopted.

On the motion of Mr. BARTON, seconded by Mr. BEAVIS, Messrs. Slade and Ormiston, the retiring directors, were re-elected.

Mr. Jury proposed, and Mr. Timmer seconded, the re-appointment of Messra. Hutton Potta and R. Lowe as directors. Carried.

The CHAIRMAN-That is all the business. gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be posted this afternoon.

PORTUGAL.

. M. Finot, the editor of La Revue, contributes to the Contemporary Review an account of the Portuguese situation.

Don Carlos had many qualities which ought to have made him an excellent king. A distinguished litterateur, a skilled connoisseur, delicate and agreeable conversationalist, he had a wide enough range of knowledge to make a good monarch. But he was among the worst. We owe the truth to the dead as well as to the living. Why then disguise the fact that the Portuguese people, divided as they are in their political ideas, were absolutely at one in their very slight esteem for their king? The king felt it, and while he felt it enjoyed a sort of strange or quetry in exasperating the people's existence of superhuman spirits. Thirdly, it feelings. Thus he threw in the face of his does not primarily rest upon a belief in human which they longed to avenge in his blood.

and not serious, had the pride of a World-Force, was the object of his reverence demininge, lodged in an empty mind. The and love Religion is not in some particular antagonism between him and his people had ones since the close of the year, and although quite discouraged him. He sought oblivion doing. A correct definition of religion must trade : howed no improvement during 1907 I am in orgies sufficiently innocent, but which not refer either to any specific belief, or kind thought the fetes of a Nero. In truth whole of man as a knowing, feeling and willing he was bored. He courted all the pretty being. compare farourably with its predecessor. We women, and was always dreaming of foreign Having thus lost touch with the people, he failed to take in the fact that his extravagance alienated all sympathy from him.

Franco the Dictator said to M. Finot :-Our country has suffered and suffers still from administrative corruption. There is too much extravagance and too many abuses. I shall have to reform-much of the machinery and get new see what I have accomplished they will excuse my brutalities and violations of the Constitution. It is necessary to give Portugal a salutary shake, which will put fresh life into an organism | selves pervading the universe. And another is which is prematurely old;

enemies admitted that, detestable though believes, at least, that he is only a fraction of he was as a politician, his personal charact the sum-total of things. He also feels some ter was not open to attack. He prevented dependence upon this sum-total, and he other men from enriching themselves at the expense of the State, but he did not enrich himself. They told me many lively stories of this plunder of the State to which expression of his ultimate attitude to the Franco had put an end. It was, perhaps, the | universe" ("Evolution of Religion," voi. i. p. most courageous act of his reign.

make against Queen Amélie. She is a clerical, must put something over and above himself and which effends the Portuguese people. In that | pay that something homage. Modern students country, where the priests have to go about in of the subject of religion are now everywhere civil dress and have morganatic wives like royal admitting the great truth contained in the cally after the amalgamation of interest with personages, and large families like the patriarchs statement of the ancient Psalmist that only a in the Bible, such an accusation is seriously fool can say in his heart, "There is no God." regarded by the people. And the queen's enemies | They are willing to go much farther and accept rub it in. One of the leading Republicans told without hesitation the recent assertion me that it was on account of Queen Amelie | President Eliot of Harvard, that the true test that King Carlos did not return the visit of of any man's progress in civilisation is his idea his royal cousin at Rome. Everything had of God. been settled for the journey, when, prompted by his wife, he wrote to Victor Emmanuel that he would be very glad to visit him in Italy, but not at Rome. and after that there was a regular coolness between the two Courts. This story may be true or false; but it has passed like a storm all over Portugal, and alienated while in no way imparing our efficiency there, the last traces of sympathy from the widow

Perhaps there will be only one issue to this the Government Departments interested with M. Finot says: monarchy in chaos-a Republic. The other regard to priental immigration to Canada, and day I was visited by one of the Republican particularly the question of Indian immigration. leaders, whose high character and elequence His mission to Britain, is not to proprise any expected in the Formosa Channel, and moderate command the admiration even of his enemies-Magalhaes Lims. "The Republic is at hand," he told me, and his face was lit up be joyful | difficult subject in all its bearings is approciated hope. "And afterwarda?" said I. "Do you in all quarters concerned, the Canadian Goreally believe that a change of the label alters | vernment being particularly anxions to learn worker and in view of our undertaking to treat the nature of the liquor?" "o doubt," he the views of the British Government and replied. "The monarchy has proved its to discover some means by which England, character. Think of our 75 per cent, of Canade, and India can co-operate in an arrangeilliterates, of our undeveloped resources, of the ment which will be satisfactory to all parties. ruins which lie all round us. It is we who will It is important to bear in mind that Canada's transform the government, and with changed | desire for the restriction of Oriental immigration political conditions we shall infuse a new spirit is as much in the interest of the East Indians have an ardent faith. Let us respect this | victims of exploitation, as it is for the prevention religion of theirs, which has not yet had an op- of possible complications in the labour situation portunity of either deceiving itself or of failing. of the Dominion. The experience of last year

Published by order of the Inspector General of the Imperial Maritime Customs, the "List | that they suffered greatly in consequence. It of lighthouses, lightvessels, buoys and beacons is a fact well known to the authorities that the on the coast and rivers of China", shows that there are now 110 lights, 5 light-vessels. 24 not a spontaneous movement, but is largely light boats, 137 buoys, and 110 beacons, a brought about by private agencies, who make total of 392, which would indicate that fair | financial gain for themselves and who do not gentlemen, I rise with much pleasure to second | progress is being made in the direction of lighting the Chinese coast in the interest of possibilities of the complications which are likely the mariner and the shipowner.

MUNICIPAL VERSUS PRIVATE OWNERSHIP.

The National Civic Federation has tried to determine impartially and scientifically the relative merits of private and public ownership and operation of public utilities. In September, 1805. the Federation resolved to appoint a Commission of 150 men, widely known as publicists, corporation chiefs, and leaders of labour. By them a Committee of Investigation consisting of twenty-one members, was ap

The scope of the inquiry was at first an nounced to include Europe as well as the United tates, but it was finally decided that European research should be limited to Great Britain and

l reland The public utilities decide d upon for investigation were gas; electric lighting and power

water, and street railways. In order to secure impartial investigation, both Committee and sub-Committees of investigation were about equally divided into three groups-"pros," "antis," and unpronounced The experts appointed were similarly nominated in each case, one by the "pros" and one by the

There was thus constituted something of the nature of that "independent audit" for which Municipal Reformers clamoured in the late London County Council elections,

-Nineteen members of the Committee o twenty-one sign the report, which thus sum up its more important conclusions :-

First-Public utilities, whether in public or in private hands, are best conducted under system of legalised and regulated monopoly. Second-Public utilities, in which the sani tary motive largely enters, should be operated

Third-The auccess of municipal operation of public utilities depends upon the existence in the city of a high capacity for municipal government.

Fourth-Franchise grants to private cor porations should be terminable after a fixed period, and meanwhile subject to purchase at fair valus. Fifth-Municipalities should have power to

enter the field of municipal ownership upon popular vote under reasonable regulation. Sixth.—Private companies operating public utilities should be subject to public regulation and examination under a system of uniform records and accounts and of full Lublicity.

Seventh-The Committee takes no position on the question of the general expediency of either private or public ownership. Th question must be solved by each municipality in the light of local conditions . . . The people must remember that it requires a large class of able men as city officials to look after these matiers. They must also remember that muni cipal ownership will create a large class of employees who may have more or less political influence.

WHAT IS RELIGIO

Professor F. S. Hoffman, writing in the North-American Receive upon "What is Religion? begins by explaining what it is not. First, religion is not to be confounded with religious. Secondly, it should not be identified with the immortality, neither is it dependent upon the belief in one personal God. No one was more The king, though mild in character, fast religious than Spinoza, but Nature, or the feeling or sets of feelings, nor is it primarily a

Religiou in the truest and most profound sense of the term is not primarily dependent upon any specific set of beliefs. It does not rise and fall with these beliefs, or go out of existence if they cease to be. The greatest question of our time on this subject is not any longer whether a man has any religion, but whether the religion that he does have is of any real value; whether it is a help or a hindrance

of truth and right. The first element, therefore, in religion is the recognition of the existence of a power not our-M. Finot says that in Lisbon even Franco's relation with this power. Every same man obliged to put himself in some sort of accord with it. This is what Caird has condensed into the statement. "A man's religion- is the

The Republicans have grave complaints to | Every sane man must worship something. He

CANAI)A AND THE ASIATICS.

EICEED OUT FOR THEIR OWN GOOD. Mr. Mackensie King, Canadian Deputy Minister of Labour for Canada, has already had conferences with the Earl of Elgin and Mr. Morley and the departmental officials of hard and fast scheme for the regulation of Asiatic immigration but to see that this very into our people," " he Portuguese Republicans | themselves, many of whom are believed to be the showed that the East Indians who went to Canada were in many cases wholly unsuited to the climate and conditions of the country, and wholesale emigration of natives from India is consider the welfare of the emigrants or the to be produced by their entry.

THE GERMAN NAVY

The recent naval debates in both Houses of the British Parliament cenfirm the Hamburger Nachrichten in its frequently expressed opinion that the relative position of the German Fleet must improve to an extraordinary degree from the moment when only really first class vessels

In former years, it states, that is, until 1906, the fact was fully appreciated in England that the German Fleet would never be dangerous, or even cause the English much trouble in a fight, as the individual superiority of the English ships was too great. The English even doubted that the Germans could ever build ships as large as theirs, but this doubt, it adds, has now been removed, and hence the increased anxiety. The organ of the

traditional-Bismarckian-policy-then-continues.

"It is true the English can at all times lay down twice as many ships as we, but if they did so their Budget would be swellen to enormous proportions, and it must not be forgotten that England also requires a very great number of torpedo-bosts, of submarines, and of small cruisers, and that her ports and harbours must be enlarged or increased. Above all, however, it must not be forgotten that in the case of a war with Germany England would be compelled in future to stake very much more than she has hitherto calculated upon. The more ships she builds too, the more difficult it will be, as experience-has already shown, to increase the techpical personnel to a corresponding degree with out a deterioration of its quality. The of repeated statement that we would not improve our position in regard to England by building good ships and by accelerating their construction is thus proved to be superficial and false Each new Frat-class ship increases Germany's power, however many ships the English may

The German naval critics constantly claim that Germany has an inexhaustible supply of first-class technical personnel, and the authorities are, moreover, devoting the utmos attention to the development of the means training students in ships construction in U Technical Universities. Count Bernstorff, retired naval commander, writing on th subject in the Tag, states:

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THE ALL-RED ROUTE.

OUTLINE OF THE SCHEME.

Mr. Sifton in the Candian House of Commons spoke of the part he took unofficially in bringing the "All-Red Route" before, Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Asquich.

He said that before going to England he had in Liebon, a large provincial town, were of feeling, or set of voluntary acts, but to the a conference with Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who could to give effect to the resolution of the Colonial Conference, and the result of his meeting with Mr. Lloyd George satisfied him that when Canada, Australia, and New Zealand approached the British Government with a definite proposition it would receive the most. cordial sympathy.

In describing the scheme Mr. Sifton said that the natural difficulties were all on the Atlantic, and the opposition in large part laws passed; and when some years hence people to his own progress and the ultimate triumph proceeded from the underwriters." Referring to showed twice as much rainfall for the United States route as for the Canadian, the percentage not being large, even in the Gulf of St the endeavour to put ourselves in harmonious Lawrence. The ice was no great difficulty, requiring slight deviation to the south in winter. From 1880 to 1907 of the five vessels (not capital. including coasting) lost on the Liverpool. Halifax, and Quebec route only one was lost in consequence of the danger of the route.

The cost of the 24-knot weekly service between Liverpool and Quebec and of the fortnightly service between Vancouver and New Zesland and Australia was a subsidy of £1,000,000 annually. The subsidy would be allocated as follows: Australia, £75,000, New Zealand £100,000, Canada £325,000, and Great Britain £500,000. New Zealand was favourable, and the others had yet to be heard from. He believed that Great Britain only wanted a joint representation from the Colonies to take up the project. He expressed the hope that the Canadian Pacific, the Grand Trunk, and the Canadian Northern Railways would join and make the scheme a success, with the result that Canada would be placed on a thoroughfare instead of being, as a present, in a side street.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:-On the 23rd at 12.05 p.m.—The baremeter has fellen quickly in the North owing to the appearance of another depression over N. China. It is apparently moving Eastwards Pressure is now highest over S. China, where

gradients are slight. Light or moderate variable winds may N.E. and E. winds over the N. part of the China - 08.

The Japanese returns are not yet to hand. Hongkong rainfall for the 22 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches. The forecast for the 24 hours ending as noon

to-day is as follows:--. E. winds, light Hongkong & Neighbourhood - or moderate; Variable winds. light or moderate.

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"A Jacobite Admiral," by R. M. Foster, (London: John Long) is just as good as a Marryatt Story. The heroine shows her hand far too soon, but fortunately the hero (though a doughty fellow on horseback or on deck) is an arrent simpletion before a petticoat; so the interest of a stirring, moving tale knows n abatement until the final page. Tis a rattling good story, egad.

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AMERICAN FINANCIAL TROUBLES.

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MR. ROOSEVELT'S PROPOSALS TO CONGRESS.

A delegation representing the great commercial interests of the Middle West, which was

received by President Roosevelt on March 22nd present d to him an address, in the course ofwhich it was stated that business conditions were never more prosperous prior to the panic of last autumn, but that now "certain lines of business are almost stagnant, a situation brought about by the fear of the people as to the stability of some of our institutions.' This condition of affairs was ascribed primarily to gross violation of the law by some of the corporations, and to the fact that the currency system is incapable of responding to the needs of commerce, and, it was added, it was accentuated by the life insurance investigation in New York, the earthquake and fire at San Francisco, and the disclosures of crockedness in high finance. The address praised the President "for compelling respect of the law by great and small alike," and requested him to indicate to Congress the corrective measures which it was necessary to take.

As a result of this address, and after a conference with the Republican leaders in both Houses of Congress, the official announcement was made at the White House at night that the President would in the course of the coming week communicate his views to Co gress.

The nature of his recommendations, has not been officially disclosed. It is understood. however, that he will urge the passing of the Aldrich Financial Bill, declare in favour of tariff revision being taken up immediately after the inauguration of the new President next March, propose the amendment of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law and the making of concessions to both capital and labour, and urge the passing of an Employers' Liability Law and legislation restraining the use of a writ of injunction by the Federal Courts.

With the exception of the recommendation advocating the passing of the Aldrich Bill, it is not quite easy to see how this programme will restore business confidence. A tariff agitation notoriously unsettles business, and although there is a very strong sentiment throughout the country in favour of a reduction of duties, there is also a very strong sentiment in favour of leaving the tariff alone and " the standpatters." are waging a vigorous campaign against the revisionists, which is one reason why "the standpatters" oppose the nomination of Mr. Taft, as he has announced that he is in favour of revision. Whatever may be the outcome the fear of a reduction of duties will tend to curtail manufacturing and limit production until business can adjust itself to the new

An amendment of the Sherman Law permitting combinations among railways would regarded as beneficial by business men generally, and also that by direct enactment boycotts shall but coupled with this is the demand of the Labour unions that they shall be exempted from the provisions of the Sherman Law defining a combination in restraint of trade and another -which is the most insistent demand of labour -that boycotts shall be legalised. To both these, but to the demend for the legalisation of boycotts especially, there is such determined opposition in Congress that they will raise prolonged debate, and in all probability be

defeated. The other measures - employers' liability and the restraining of the use of the writ of injunction - are merely to satisfy Labour and

A NATIONAL WAR CHEST.

Is there a sufficient reserve of gold available at all times in Britain to meet sudden demands of a crisis such for instance, as a great war party in power must and will, by labour and its might entail? Sir R. Giffen, K.C.B. addressed a sympathetic audience on this subject at the Boyal United Service Institude last month, Sir' Eclix Schuster, member of the Council of India, being in the chair. Avoiding the purely technical view of the war chest, the speaker

What would happen if France and Germany. with their allies, were to be again at war, or it the United States and Japan, plus a great European Power, were to be embroiled! Or if, absit omen, this country were itself to be engaged with Germany, or the United States, or Russis, with perhaps one or two more States joining in as our allies or enemies ! Such a war would bring upon us, as well as upon the whole community of civilised States to which the system of international credit extends, quite unprecedented calamities and dangers. This would result from the breakdown of the credit system itself and the interruption of international commerca. In past times great injuries to such commerce as existed were due to these causes.

The mere possibility of a raid upon these shores, though foredoomed to failure, might, Sir R. Giffen suggested, topple down that fabric of international credit of which this country holds the citadel.

Should a great war break out and business bewidely interrupted, the demands upon English banks, quite apart from panic at first, might easily become overwhelming, and the paltry twenty-five, forty, or, say, fifty million pounds which is all we have to show, would dwindle to nothing in a day or two. "It was very desirable the hands of the banks

should be strengthened against any emergency. The problems of our banking system would certainly be easier if it were the habit of everybody as well as bankers to keep a larger proportion of their means in liquid form than they do. We shall be lucky if the lesson is learnt without the great war which will surely bring it home. A vote of thanks was made to Sir R. Giffen for his paper, and several other gentlemen ad-

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THE AMERICAN LABOUR MOVEMENT.

A VEILED THREAT Although there is no Labour Party in Congress, as there is in the British Parliament, labour in the United States exercises great political influence, and there, as in England, it is constantly increasing its political demands.

The Republicans now find themselves in an embarrassing position. The Supreme Court having recently decided that a labour boycott is a violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law, the unions insigt that the law shall be amended so as be made legal. President Roo evelt is willing. to gree to the first proposal, but he demurs to the second, and the leading Republicans in both -Houses of Congress tell me that it would be impossible to secure the passing of a law giving 1-gal status to a boycott.

A delegation representing the American

Federation of Labour presented a memorial to-Vice-President Fairbanks and Mr. Cannon, the peaker, urging immediate action by Congress on the boycott question and other legislation in-which labour is interested, including the passing of an Employers' Liability Bill and the law to restrain the issuing of a writ of injuneattempt to bring about better relations with tion by the Federal Judges, which labour bitterly complains is the weapon made use of by the capitalists to oppress the working man. The memorial of the Federation thinly veils a threat to hold the Republicans responsible in the case of non-action by Congress. While no member of Congress can evade party or individual responsibility, the memorial says, "we aver that the sympathisers, be held primarily responsible for failure to give the prompt, full, and effective Congressional relief we know to be within its power." The memorial further warns Congress that "repression of right is bound finally to break forth in a violent form of protest, especially among the more ignorant," who will feel great bitterness if they are denied by Congress the consideration they have a right to expect. .

Both Mr. Fairbanks and Mr. Cannon expressed sympathy with the movement to secure the passing of an Employers' Liability Bill, but carefully refrained from making any expression of opinion regarding boycotting or other measures on the Labour programme. The Temps publishes an interview which its :

representative has had with Mr. Taft, the American Secretary for War.

Mr. Taft is reported to have stated that if he were elected to the Presidency he would follow absolutely the same policy as Mr. Roosevelt, particularly in regard to the great financial corporations. When questioned about the Agreement regarding Japanese immigration into the United States, he expressed the opinion that the Agreement completely overcame all the difficulties, which had moreover been greatly exaggerated, and which he did not think could be revived in another form and on another point, for the Jingoes were not masters of the situation. The cruise of the American Fleet would itself create no incident, and if the Fleet went to Japan it would receive there a warm welcome which would surprise the pessimists. There had been no addition to the programme of fortifications on the Pacific Coast.

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HOW MARK TWAIN WROTE "INNOCENTS ABROAD."

Senator Stewart, in the course of some 'Recollections," seems to be competing with Mark Twain on the humorist's own ground. Incidentally it might be that an old sore is here adjusted, or at least the narrative bears the implications of such a purpose. It looks like the belated opportunity of the Senator to get.

even with Mark Twain. Along with some diverting accounts of the irresponsible fun-maker, we hear how the "Innocents Abroad" came to be written. The story is told in "The Saturday Evening Post" (Philadelphia) and deals with the year 1867, when Samuel ... Clemens was serving as private secretary to the Newada Senator. The latter describes his renewed acquaintance with

Clemens in these words: "I was seated at my window one morning when a man slouched into the room. He was arrayed in a seedy suit, which hung upon his lean frame in bunches, with no style worth mentioning. A sheaf of soraggly, black hair leaked out of a battered, old, slouch hat, stuffing from an ancient Colonial sofa, and an evil-smelling eigar-butt, very much frazeled, protruded from the corner of his moutch. He had a very sinister appearance. He was a man I had known around the Nevada mining-camps several years before, and his name was Samuel

knew his visitor as a reporter on "The Terri-'orial Enterprise" (Virginia City), "He went yound putting things in the paper about people d stiring upon trouble." His excuse generally, s that the thing be wrote was humorous and was why he wrote it -not because it was "Clemens had a great habit of making fun York Building, Chater Road e young fellows and the girls, and wrote lous pieces about parties and other social to which he was never invited." The

continues: er a while he went over to Carson City hed up the people over there and got down on him. I thought he had m our midst forever, but he drifted Tirginia City in a few weeks. The payether and said they would give a reprite Clemens to it, and make him inge, respectable, and decent, and feelingenerous, and considerate of the but Tiers. I could have warned them,

with thent to that party and danced and enjet girls, and monopolized them. then shoself, and made a good meal, and and wrote to "The Enterprise "coffice that partyole thing up. He lambasted allow, and he English language would enough to Lithe guests were unfortunate wart on the trd, or have big feet, or a He fairly struemens did not forget it. "Of course) memory.

they decided tade the boys angry. that ran from ven. Then was a stage Clemens was a plio Virginia City, and boys lay in wait, on it one night. The by a lonely spot den the stage lumbered it, and turned it loped out, and upset Clemens out and thdown, and dragged broke up his portum into a canon, and on top of him. | and threw that in

He was the scaredel issippi; but the next a west of the Miss. back to town, and it k, when he crawled neck, sort of casually."

Senator records that he though cousintance had been hang elected to Congress or something like the But when the persecuting newspaper report slouched" into the Senator's room in Witton that paper about me I'll sue you fold. account proceeds in the writer's of rds

'He waved the suggestion asileh familiarity. Said Clemens 6 come to see you on important busi just back from the Holy Land. 'Said I, looking him over: 'Tha

thing to say of the Holy Land whi isn't here to defend itself. But, may be didn't get all the advantages. You ought 1 back and take a postgraduate course. Did/walk home ? "

"Said Clemens not at all ruffled: proposition. There's millions in it. Aland is a little cash stake. I have been to tholy Land with a party of innocent and estable people who are fairly sching to be written and I think I could do the job neatly and with dech if I were not troubled with other-more-keting -considerations. I've started the bk already, and it is a wonder. I can vouch for 'I said Let me see the manuscript.

had been noted in Nevada, and became ative of the society, represented all sections of the

member of my family, and my clerk." to the story of the persecution the new board. They were the custodians of the interests subjected the landlady to. She was a Min ball those who contributed to the funds. They Virginia Wells, a prim Virginia spinster & we therefore the proper persons to treat with seventy who had lost everything in the war the Board of Trade on behalf of any section of and as many of her fellow sufferers of the the cociety; but while they claimed and he South were doing, she sought to recoup her subatted claimed with justice-(hear, hear)fortunes in the boarding-house business in totrit on behalf of a section, everything possible Washington. Her timid nature shrank from lad by done to get information and advice Clemens and he found "amusement" in devising from to representatives of the district at all ways of causing her fear and trepidation. For stages if the negotiations. Everything, he example, he would lurch through the corridors, believedhad been done which could have been took to smoking in hed at night, and threw her the next app should be. He, for his part, had

Stewart with complaintes. friend of yours to leave I shall have to give up | check, from the funds of the society as a wholemy lodging-house, and what will become of me (hear, hear) -and inspite of the duly accredited then? He smokes cigars in bed all night, and representations of the society as a whole. He has ruined my best sheets, and I expect to be appealed for the support of his hearers for the burned out any time. I've been on the alert executive authority in any steps which they now for three weeks, but I can't keep it up might find it neessary to take. (Cheers.) much longer, I need sleep.

"I said: 'If you don't stop annoying this there will be a conference between representives little lady I'll give you a sound thrashing-I'll of the National Federation of Shipbuilders and wait till that book's finished. I don't want to he men's union. With reference to the ship-

it's finished.' "He blew some smoke in my face. Said he : regarding the joiners work. The shipwrights You are mighty unreasonable."

"She said : Senator, that man will kill me. I can't stand it. If he dbean't go I'll have to ask you to give up your rooms, and the Lord knows whether I'll be able to rent them again." "This filled me with alarm, I was very. comfortable where I was. I sent her away

kindly; and called Clemens. "Said I: You have got to stop this feelish. ness. If you don't stop annoying this little lady. I'll amend my former resolution and give you that thrashing right here and now. Then I'll send you to the hospital, and pay your expenses and bring you back, and you can finish your book upholstered in bandages.

" He saw that I meant business. He said: "All right, I'll give up my amusements; but

I'll get even with you. "He did. When he wrote 'Roughing It' he said I had chested him out out of some mining stock, or something like that, and that he had given me a sound thrashing, and he printed a picture of me in the book with a patch over one

Clemens remained with me for some time. He wrote his book in my room, and named it 'The Innocents Abroad.' I was confident that he would come to no good end, but I have heard of him from time to time since then, and I understand that he has settled down and become respectable."

SHIPBUILDING CRISIS.

Towards the end of last month a London The Senator pauses to recall that he first contemporary reported as follows:-Coast has entered on a new phase. The men biliousness, your constitution will become so having rejected the recent proposals made by weakened that you will be unable to resist the Mr. Lloyd-George, the employers now revert to deadlier diseases, should they strike. But their stitude before the strike.

position of affairs before the strike began, it system generally, it makes indigestion immay be explained that twenty-two trades out of possible. Your blood becomes pare, your food twenty five employed in the engine shops nourishes you, and the vigour of health tingles acc-pred a reduction, and the trades with whom in your veins. a settlement was not effected were the Amal. Writing on August 29th, 1907, Mrs. M. gamated Society of Engineers, the Steam and over, 6d per week off time rates of which comes from constipation, I was quite 22s and under 26s, men under 22s but over 20s to be reduced if they were advanced in February, 1906, and men at 20s and under not to be reduced. These were the terms offered to. the engineers before going on strike, and which had to take effect on or before February 19th.

terms or continue on strike. The non-society engineers on strike have com. municated with the employers with a view to making terms for returning to work. On Saturday arrangements were considered by the men's committee for holding a mass meeting to-day, when statements will be made as to the recommended resumption of work. The committee of the Newcastle and District Non-Society Engineers have since announced that their executive have definitely settled the terms upon which the men who are members on the books of their organisation will return to work

on Thursday next. Mr. Geoge N. Barnes, M P. (general secretary of the Auslgamated Society of Engineers) made an important statement on Saturday at a meeting of the pattern makers in London with regard to the dispute, when he strongly critiosed the attitude of the members of the society in the north-east district who had refused to he was bragging about hand pretty soon svail themselves of the compromise suggested. The recent adverse vote, he said, had raised that he had overlooked at and add details is use even more important than the settlement mutil he made of the strike. De believed that the men had out that he had been in outil he made been wrongly advised in voting as they did. sperate stage-robberies in the most de (Hear, hear.) The chances of success of a Wes', and it was a pretty story of the strike were far less than the chances of a couldn't lug that one into, pape of the successful issue of the dispute by arbitration, neck, sort of casually " pape of the tarms arrived at contained special because the terms arrived at contained special

After that Clemens "drifte," and the provision for the arbitrator to take a retrospective view of the situation as well as a comparative view of wages in the shipbuilding and other engineering centres. A settlement in that event would therefore have been on considerations far more favourable than those which dignitary said: "If you put a be in the must deter ine the matter of a strike, which would have the additional disadvantage of having to be fought on a falling market. But apart altogether from the bearing of the vote on this particular dispute, it raised the question of the effectiveness of trade unions as agencies on behalf of labour. Hitherto bargaining had been possible, because of the confidence reposed in the

union representative. This vote had gone largely to destroy that feeling of confidence, and in future employers might well say that it would be useless to make bargains even of a tentative character, with the representatives of the men, because, as it might be averred, the men would place no trust in such representatives. It had been said that intervention should have been declined, or that if accepted the Board of Trade should have been referred to the local representatives. To both of these propositions he demurred. (Hear, hear.) The Board of Trade although not armed with statutory powers to enforce decisions, yet was armed with a great moral weapon, which Mr. "He pulled a dezen sheets or so from Lloyd-George had courageously used on behalf pocket and handed them to me. I read it of the community. No union either of emhe had written and I saw that it was bully. I ployers or employed could afford to flout the 'Said I: 'I'll appoint you my clerk in Board of Trade. (Cheers.) He dissented from Senate, and you can live on the salary. Then the view that the Board of Trade should have little hall bedroom across the way where y been referred to the locality, because as a matter can sleep and you can write your book in hel of fact the locality, however important a section Help yourself to the whisky and cigars an of the society it might be, was, after all, only a section, and when involved in a local trouble "He accepted all of my invitations in the was dependent on other localities for the sinews modest and massuming manner for which hoof war. (clear, hear.) He, along with the execu-

brganisation. those not engaged in the dispute The Senator's train of recollections defiers as well as those who were engaged in the dispute.

"pretending to be intoxicated, and would throw | done on thelf of the men, and it now remained her into a fit about six times a day." Then he for the sajety itself as a whole to say what into a panie. The ladve came to Senator no hesitaten in saying that it was an absurd and illogical position for a section of the "She said : Senator, if you don't ask that society to be able to draw at will, and without

The next important business relative to the "I told her to leave the room, and I called strike of shipwrights, joiners, and others will be discussed at Edinburgh on Wednesday, when interfere with literature. I'll thrash you after wrights' and miners' strike at the graving docks, there is still a question to be settled have come to terms with the dock employers, and "I thought he would behave himself after if the difficulty with the joiners could be solved. that. But one day, a week later, Miss Virginia | there would be no reason why work should not staggered into my room again, in a flood of tears. | be immediately resumed.

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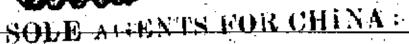
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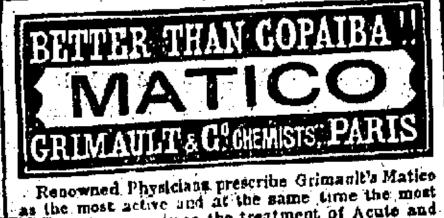
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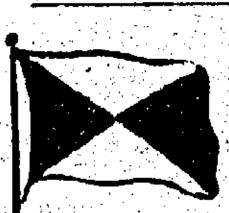
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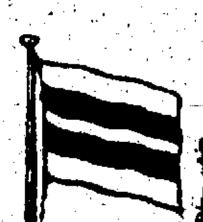
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THE FRENCH MAIL TO MORROW. Ordinary Annual Meeting of Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., at General Managers' Office, Half-yearly Meeting of Hongkong Jookey inst. at 7 a.m., and may be expected to arrive Club, at Club's Office, 12.30 p.m. afternoon. COMMERCIAL. THE AMERICAN MAIL. EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS. April 23rd. Manila May 1st .-

OF LONDON.— Bank Bills, on demand 1 101 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight1 104 Bank Bills, at 4 mouths' sight ... 1 104 Documentary Bills 4 months' sight1/103 ()n Paris.— Bank Bills, on demand233 Credits, at 4 months' sight...... 238 ON GERMANY.

ON NEW YORK. Bank Bills, on demand.......45 Credits; at 60 days sight.......461 ON BOMBAY.-Telegraphic Transfer139} Bank, on demand1401 ON CALCUTTA. ON SHANGHAL-Bank, at sight 741 ON YOKOHAMA.—On demand......903 ON MANILA. On demand Pesos 91 ON SINGAPORE.—On demand...... 244p.c.pm. ON HAIPHONG.—On demand 7 p.c. pm. ON SAIGON.—On demand 67 p.c. pm. ON BANGKOK.—On demand 781 Sovermons, Bank's Buying Rate...\$10.60

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael...... \$55.60

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· 20 cents pieces \$8,55 discount. Hongkong 20 2000 OPIUM. April 23rd.

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VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE INDIAN MAIL. The Inde-China str. Kutsang from Calcutta and the Straits left Singapore for this port on the 21st inst. afternoon, and may be expected here on or about 26th inst.

The Inde-China str. Oneang left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on the 12th inst. and may be expected here on or about 29th inst. The Indo China str. Kumsang left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 16th inst, and may be expected here on or about 1st prox.

The M.M. str. Yarra with the French Mail of the 29th ult. and Mails from London of the 28th ult. will leave Baigon on Friday, the 24th here on Monday morning, the 27th inst., and will leave for Shanghai and Japan on the same

The T.K.K. str. Nippon Maru sailed from Yokobama on the 19th inst., and is due to arrive in Hongkong via Kobe, Nagasaki and

THE GERMAN MAIL. The L.G.M. str. Prinz Sigismund left Sydney. on Thursday, the 9th inst. at 10 p.m.; and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 2nd

THE CANADIAN MAIL. The C.P.R. str. Empress of China left Vanconver for Hongkong, via usual ports of call at p.m. on the 15th inst. MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The H.A.L. str. Brisgravia left Singapore on the 18th a.m., and may be expected here to day a m. The P. & O. str. Sumatra left Singapore for this port on the 18th inst. at 6 p.m. The E. & A. str. Eastern from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on the 20th inst. for Mapila

PASSENGERS.

and this port.

Per Singan, from Haiphong, &c., Mr. F. Jones.

Per Rubi, for Manile, Mr and Mrs C. D. Buck, and Mr T. P. Morley. Per P. R. Luitpold, for Hambarg, &c., Mr and Mrs D. ter Bragge, Mr and Mrs E. Coppage and baby. Mr and Mrs H. J. van Eugelaburg, Mr and Mrs Gibbs, Mr and Mrs A. C. Hazen. berg, Mr and Mrs A. Jackson, Mr and Mrs Geheimrat Krueger, Mr and Mrs McLean, Mr and Mrs C. E. Liesker and children, Mr and Mrs Naezer, Mr and Mrs Stewart and baby, Mr and Mrs A. Spalding and child, Mr and Mrs Terbrugge, Mr and Mrs Thoy, Mr and Mrs van Vackenburgh, Capt. & Mrs Ceimellor, Mrs Baker, Mrs Bristow, Mrs H. Dabbs, Mrs Edwards, Mrs Franke, Mrs L. Hughes, Mrs Matthiessen and baby, Mrs Moerasatos, Mrs Ojeda Okiosan, Mrs Pigott. Mrs Runell, Mrs Rosenstein and children, Mrs E. H. Rabim, Mrs C. E. van Riemsdyk and daughter, Mrs & sop. Mrs Thormidder, Mrs Tagushi Oh Tork, Harrins, L. Hazenberg, B. Hazenberg, S. Sabs, Ethel Townsend and Ella Wolff, Consul

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S. S. Wright, C. E. Wright and L. Zweiger.

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Hongkong, April 23rd. PA10 01 UDOTATIONS. COMPANY. Pg. 200 Nominal. Alhambra ... Banks← . \$692], sellers London £73-10. Hongkong & S'hai... £6 \$51, buyers National B. of China Pell's Asbestos E. A.... \$12 | \$11, sellers China-Borneo Co... \$0, buyers China Light & P. Co. \$10 \$84, buyers China Provident Cotton Mills-Ewo......Tls. 50. Hongkong 75 | Tls. 55. InternationalTls. Laou Kung Mow Tls. 100 - Tla. 75. Dairy Farm

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Canton \$20 | \$90, buyers China Fire..... 491, bûyers China Traders \$50 | \$3071, buyers Hongkong Fire..... Tis. 81, buyers North China..... 38421, sellers Union Yangtaze and and Building--Hongkong Landlny. \$99, buyers \$10, buyers Humphrey's Estate **\$**30 Kowloon Land & B.

Shanghai Land Tls. 50 Tls, 114. WestPointBuilding \$50 \$49. Charbonnages Fcs. 250 - **\$5**50, buyera \$10 | \$13. buyers Peak Tramways ... \$1 \ \$2, buyers \$10 \$8, hayers Philippine Co. Refineries — \$1(0) \$1374 sellers China Sugar \$100 \$15. Luzon Sugar Steamship Companies

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\$100 **\$1**85. Weissmann, Ld. \$4 | \$11, buyers United Asbestos \$10 | \$1£0, buyers Founders \$10 | \$11, buyers Union Waterboat Co. VERNON & SMYTH.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE. From April 24th to 30th, 1008.

HIGH WATER.			<u>:</u> 1	LOW WATER.		
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Highest open air iemperature on 22nd 79.



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SHIPPING IN PORT.

AMIRAL DE BROUNOND, French str., 154, Chalais, 22nd April—Haiphong 18th April, Ballast—Wilks & Jacks. BOURBON, French str., 997, Le Bail, 15th April

-Saigon 11th April, General-Chinese. CATHERINE APCAR, British str., 1,780, W. D. A. Thomas, 20th April—Calcutta and Straits 3rd April, General—David Sassoon & Co., Ltd. CHIRLI, British str., 1,176, J. Warrack, 14th

April-Haiphong and Holhow 13th April, General-Butterfield & Swire. CHINA, American str , 3,186, D. E. Friele, 14th April-San Francisco 17th March, and Shanghai 11th April, Mails and General-Pacific Mail Steamship Co. CHIYUEN, Chinese str., 1,178, C. Stewart, 19th April-Shanghai 16th April, Goueral-

Chinese. DAIJIN MARU, Japanese str., 960, I. Sakurai, 22nd April-Swatow 21st April, General-Osaka Shosen Kaisha. DEN OF AIRLIB, British str., 2,271, Cumming.

10th April-Antwerp 10th February, and Singapore 4th April, General - Messageries Maritimes. DRUFAR, Norwegian str., 1,734, J. Bing, 20th April—Bangkok 11th April, Rice and General-Norddentscher Lloyd. EMPIRE, British str., 2,843, P. T. Helms, 20th

April-Yokohama via Kobs and Moji 7th April, General-Gibb, Livingston & Co. EMPRISS OF JAPAN, British str., 3,032, H. Pybus, 6th April-Vancouver 18th March, and Shanghai 4th April, Mails and General Mr. & Mrs. S. Bisney _('anadian Pacific Railway Co. FAUSANG, British str., 1,410, H. S. Martin, Dr G. D. & Black

18th April-Saigon 14th April, Rice- Mr. N. A. Black Jardine, Matheson & Co. FRITHJOF, Norwegian str., 891, Olaf Andersen, 12th April-Saigon 8th April, Rice and Meal-Asgaard, Thoresen & Co.

FUKURA MARU. Japanese str., 1,946, Sakamoto, 21st April-Moji 16th April, Coal-Mitsu Bishi Goshi-Kwaisha. GREFEVALL, British str., 2,845, Steele, 22nd April-Portland 13th March, and Karatsu 16th April, Wheat-A, Thoreson & Co. HAIPHONG, French str., 500, Pomfret, 22nd

April-Haiphong 18th April, Ballast-Wilks & Jacks. HERMAN LERCHE, Russian str., 1,871. Obsiling. 8th April - Singapore 11th April, General-Bradley & Co. HILARY, German str., 1,276, H. Uecker, 17th

a pril-Saigon 12th April, Rice-Sander, Weiler & Co. HOPBANG, British str., 1,356, Jas. M. Hay, 21st April - Karatsu 15th pril, Coal Jardine Matheson & Co. Huschow, British str., 1,237, E. Forsyth, 22nd

April-Tientsin, Chefoo, Amoy & Swatow 21st April, General-Butterfield & Swire. JACOB DIEDERICHSEN, German str., 623, Hansen, 22nd April-Pakhoi April 16th, and Heihow 20th, General and Cattle-Jebsen & Co.

JAPAN, British str., 3,806, J. G. Olifent, 17th April-Moji 15th April, General-David Sassoon & Co. Ltd. KIUKIANG, British str., 1,228, H. A. Wavell, 21st April-Shanghai 17th April, General -Butterfield & Swire.

Kowloon, German str., 1,427, Enigk, 10th April-Wakamatsu 5th April, General-Hamburg-Amerika Linie. KWANGTAH, Chinese str., 1,536, Wm. H. Lunt,

22nd Apr.—Shanghai 19th Apr., General-Chinese. KWEILIN, British str., 1,240, Hards, 19th April -Shanghail 6th April, General-Butterfield & Swire. Kwongsang, British str., 1,427, W. Palmer-

Baker, 21st April-Shanghai April 18th, and Swatow 20th, General - Jardine, Matheson & Co. CANDRAT SCHEIFF, German str., 1,012, H. Grandt, 9th April-Saigon 4th April, Rice Mr. Charles T. Bewes

LOYAL. German str., 1,237, Natzius, 20th April Mr. & Mrs. Counniace -Saigon 14th April, Rice-Sander, Wieler Mr. P. Dow

LOONGBANG, British str., 1,050, S. J. Payne, 22nd April-Manila 19th April, General-Jardine, Matheson & Co. Machew, German str., 991, Zollner, 19th April -Bangkok via Kohsichang 12th April, Capt. F. Kofod

Rice-Norddeutscher Lloyd. MANCHURIA, American str., 8,750, J. W. Sunders, 19th April-San Francisco via Mr. R. B. Levien Ports and Shanghai 16th April, Mails and Mr. H. Lyon General-Pacific Mail Steamship Co. MANDAL, Norwegian str., 1,193, K. Gabrielsen,

21st April-Saigon 16th April, General-Wallem & Co. MATHILDA KORNER, German str., 1,846, M. Dibberm, 21st April-Hongay 18th April, Coal-Jardin.

NINGCHOW. British str., 5,876, H. Allen. 16th April - Tacoma via Japan 18th March. General—Butterfield & Swire. NUMANTIA. German str., 4,385, H. Feldtmann, 22nd April-Portland, Or. 15th March,

Flour-Portland Asiatio Steamship Co. PERSIA, Austrian str., 3,779, G. Bartole, 17th April-Kobe 9th April, General-Sander, Weiler & Co. PHEANANG, German str., 10,21, Fr. v. Mangels. dorff. 19th April-tangkok & Kobsichang

12th April, Rice and Teakwood-Melchers PHU-YEN, French str., 1,299, Bouisson, 21st April-Saigon 17th April, Flour-Bradley

PRINZ WALDEMAR, German str., 1,737, W. von Senden, 22nd April-Yokohama 13th Apr., General-Melchers & Co. PRONTO, Norwegian str., 962, T. Seeberg, 20th

April-Wuhu 15th April, Rice-Auguard, Thoresen & Co. R.I.M.S. DUFFERIN, British transport, 3,966, T. A. L. de Berry, 21st April-Taku 16th

April. REIDER, Norwegian str., 2,297, C. Stangetye, 14th April - Moji 8th April, Coal -Aagaard, Thoresen & Co. Sambia, German str., 3,623, O. Muller, 17th April-Shanghai 14th April, General-

Hamburg-Amerika Linie. April-Sourabaya 5th April, Sugar-Butterfield & Bwite. . -SHANTUNG, German str., 1,000, C. Gosewitch.

22nd April-Bangkok April 13th, and Swatow 21st, Rice-Butter field & Swire. SHINANO MARU, Japanese str., 3.960, Kawars. 19th April-Seattle 17th Mar. & Shanghai 16th Apr., General-Nippon Yusen Kaishs. SIGNAL, German str., 907, G. Schlaikier, 15th April-Haiphong and Hoihow 14th April, Rice-Jebsen & Co.

Soshu Maru, Japanese str., 1,719, T. Suruga, 20th April-Shanghai via Foochow, Amoy and Ewatow 19th April, General-Osaka Shosen Kaisha. TAISHAN, British str., 1,121, Laing, 19th

April - Saigon 14th April, General -Bradley & Co TAIWAN, British str., 1,042, J. A. Martin, 17th April-Hon Kohe Bay 14th April, Salt-

Wingsang, British str., 1,617, D. A. King, 18th April-Wuhu 16th Rice-Jardine, Mathegon & Co. 19 55 13 50 50 YERIMO MARO, Japanese str., 2,850, H. Kobayashi, 17th April Japan 12th April, Coal

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ON SALE.

A TABLE OF THE RATES OF EXCHANGE AT HONGKONG

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PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS. Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and-placed AT THEIR RISK in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the

Goods are landed Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 27th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be expected by me in

any case whatever: Damaged packages must be weft in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representatives at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have

left the Godowns. F. J. ABBOTT. Acting Superintendent. Hongkong, 21st April, 1903.

AMERICAN ASIATIC S.S. COMPANY NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

FYTHE Steamship

"ST. DUNSTAN."

Captain W. Jones, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Limited, Kowloon and stored at Consignees

risk and expense. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th inst. will be subject

to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, the 27th inst. at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN TOMES & CO. General Agents. Hongkong, 20th April, 1908.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN. IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Tressure and Valuables. are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery

may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TUESDAY, the 21st inst., at NOON. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods re nining

undelivered after the 28th inst., will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th inst., at 9.30 A.M. All Claims must reach us before the 2nd prox., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the andersigned. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,

MELCHERS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 21st April, 1908. "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-Bented to the Undersigned on or before the 5th May, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th inst., at 1.1 A.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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